2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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Report of Main Committee II

Establishment and terms of reference

1. Under rule 34 of its rules of procedure, the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons established Main Committee II as one of its three Main Committees and decided to allocate to it the following items for its consideration (see NPT/CONF.2010/1):

> *Item 16.* Review of the operation of the Treaty, as provided for in its article VIII, paragraph 3, taking into account the decisions and the resolution adopted by the 1995 NPT Review and Extension Conference and the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference:
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> (c) Implementation of the provisions of the Treaty relating to non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, safeguards and nuclear-weapon-free zones:
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> (i) Article III and the fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs, especially in their relationship to article IV and the sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs;
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> (ii) Articles I and II and the first to third preambular paragraphs in their relationship to articles III and IV;
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> (iii) Article VII;
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> *Item 17.* Role of the Treaty in the promotion of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and of nuclear disarmament in strengthening international peace and security and measures aimed at strengthening the implementation of the Treaty and achieving its universality.

2. Pursuant to rule 34 of its rules of procedure, the Conference also approved the establishment of subsidiary body 2 under Main Committee II. The Conference decided that subsidiary body 2 would examine "Regional issues, including with respect to the Middle East and implementation of the 1995 Middle East resolution". It further decided that the subsidiary body would be open-ended and that the meetings of the subsidiary body would be held in private. The Conference decided that subsidiary body 2 would hold meetings within the overall time allocated to

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Main Committee II and that the outcome of the work of the subsidiary body would be reflected in the report of Main Committee II to the Conference.

Officers of the Committee

3. The Conference unanimously elected Ambassador Volodymyr Yelchenko (Ukraine) as the Chair of the Committee and Ambassador Marius Grinius (Canada) and Ambassador Maged Abdelaziz (Egypt) as Vice-Chairs of the Committee.

4. Subsidiary body 2 was chaired by Ms. Alison Kelly (Ireland).

Documents before the Committee

5. The Committee had before it the following documents that were relevant for its work:

(a) Conference papers

NPT/CONF.2010/1	Final report of the Preparatory Committee for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
NPT/CONF.2010/2	Eighth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Chile
NPT/CONF.2010/3	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Austria
NPT/CONF.2010/4	Memorandum from the General Secretariat of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean prepared for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
NPT/CONF.2010/5	African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (Treaty of Pelindaba): memorandum of the secretariat of the African Union
NPT/CONF.2010/6	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Finland
NPT/CONF.2010/7	Activities relating to the South Pacific Nuclear Free Zone Treaty (Treaty of Rarotonga): memorandum submitted by the Pacific Islands Forum secretariat

NPT/CONF.2010/8	Steps to promote the achievement of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East: report submitted by Canada
NPT/CONF.2010/9	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Canada
NPT/CONF.2010/11	Steps taken to promote the achievement of an effectively verifiable Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction, and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East: report submitted by Sweden
NPT/CONF.2010/12	Memorandum of the Government of Mongolia regarding the consolidation of its international security and nuclear-weapon-free status
NPT/CONF.2010/13	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Poland
NPT/CONF.2010/14	Implementation of the resolution on the Middle East adopted by the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: background paper prepared by the United Nations Secretariat
NPT/CONF.2010/15	Memorandum on activities of Kyrgyzstan in its capacity as the depositary of the Treaty on a Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone in Central Asia
NPT/CONF.2010/18	Activities relating to the Treaty on the South-East Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone: memorandum submitted by Viet Nam
NPT/CONF.2010/19	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Algeria
NPT/CONF.2010/20	Steps to promote the achievement of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolutions on the Middle East: report submitted by Algeria
NPT/CONF.2010/21	Implementation of the provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Ukraine

NPT/CONF.2010/25	Activities of the International Atomic Energy Agency relevant to article III of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: background paper prepared by the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency
NPT/CONF.2010/27	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by New Zealand
NPT/CONF.2010/28	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by the Russian Federation
NPT/CONF.2010/29	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Brazil
NPT/CONF.2010/30	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Kazakhstan
NPT/CONF.2010/31	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by China
NPT/CONF.2010/32	Steps to advance the Middle East process and to promote the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: report submitted by China
NPT/CONF.2010/33	Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: report submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran
NPT/CONF.2010/37	Steps to promote the achievement of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East and the realization of the goals and objectives of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East: report submitted by Australia
NPT/CONF.2010/38	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and paragraph 4 (c) of the 1995 decision on principles and objectives for nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament: report submitted by Morocco
NPT/CONF.2010/39	Implementation of the 1995 resolution on the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: report submitted by Morocco
NPT/CONF.2010/40	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Cuba

NPT/CONF.2010/42	Implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: report submitted by Uruguay
NPT/CONF.2010/44	Implementation of article VI of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and paragraph 4 of the 1995 decision on principles and objectives for nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament: report submitted by Mexico
NPT/CONF.2010/45	United States information pertaining to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

(b) Conference working papers

NPT/CONF.2010/WP.1	Multilateral nuclear supply principles of the Zangger Committee: working paper submitted by Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, the Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America as members of the Zangger Committee
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.3	Repatriation of all Russian-origin fresh highly enriched uranium as well as spent fuel from Romania: working paper submitted by Romania and the Russian Federation
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.5/Rev.1 and Add.1	Proposed elements for a final document of the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons on strengthening the International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards: working paper submitted by Japan, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, the Republic of Korea, Singapore and Uruguay
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.9	New package of practical nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation measures for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: working paper submitted by Australia and Japan

NPT/CONF.2010/WP.11	Implementation of the 1995 resolution concerning the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: working paper submitted by the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.13 and Add.1	Proposed elements for the final document of the 2010 Review Conference on strengthening the technical cooperation activities of the International Atomic Energy Agency: working paper submitted by Japan
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.14	Implementation of the 1995 resolution and 2000 outcome on the Middle East: working paper submitted by Egypt
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.15	Articles III (3) and IV, and the sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs, especially in their relationship to article III (1), (2) and (4) and the fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs (nuclear safety): working paper submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of Ten")
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.17	Article III and the fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs, especially in their relationship to article IV and the sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs (export controls): working paper submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of Ten")
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.20	Article III and the fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs, especially in their relationship to article IV and the sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs (physical protection and illicit trafficking): working paper submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of Ten")
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.21	Article III and the fourth and fifth preambular paragraphs, especially in their relationship to article IV and the sixth and seventh preambular paragraphs (compliance and verification): working paper submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of Ten")

NPT/CONF.2010/WP.26	Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: working paper submitted by Algeria
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.29	Implementation of the resolution on the Middle East that was adopted at the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, and of the outcome of the 2000 Review Conference with regard to the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: working paper submitted by Lebanon on behalf of the States members of the League of Arab States to the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.31	Council decision 2010/212/CFSP of 29 March 2010 relating to the position of the European Union for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: working paper submitted by Spain on behalf of the European Union
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.32	France's action against proliferation: working paper submitted by France
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.38	Proposal by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden ("the Vienna Group of Ten")
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.39	Arab position regarding issues before the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: working paper on disarmament submitted by Lebanon on behalf of the States members of the League of Arab States
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.43	Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the Middle East: working paper submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.45	Middle East zone free of nuclear weapons as well as other weapons of mass destruction — France's commitment: working paper submitted by France
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.46	Working paper submitted by the members of the group of non-aligned States parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.48	Note verbale dated 29 April 2010 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General of the Conference

NPT/CONF.2010/WP.51	Substantive issues concerning implementation of the provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: working paper submitted by the Syrian Arab Republic
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.52	Implementation of the 1995 resolution on the Middle East of the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Non-Proliferation Treaty and the Final Document of the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty: working paper submitted by Palestine
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.54	Cluster two — Article VII: working paper submitted by Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.56	Strengthening International Atomic Energy Agency safeguards: working paper submitted by Spain on behalf of the European Union
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.57	Article II of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons: working paper submitted by Iraq
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.61	Non-proliferation: working paper submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.62	Non-compliance with articles I, III, IV and VI: working paper submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.64	Non-proliferation: working paper submitted by China
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.66	Nuclear issues in the Middle East: working paper submitted by China
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.67	Nuclear-weapon-free zones: working paper submitted by China
NPT/CONF.2010/WP.69	Working paper submitted by Belgium, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain and Turkey for consideration at the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

(c) Documents introduced in Main Committee II

(i) Main Committee II papers

NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/INF/1	Draft programme of work: 10-14 May 2010 — Main Committee II and subsidiary body 2
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/INF/2	Draft programme of work: 17-21 May 2010 — Main Committee II and subsidiary body 2

(ii) Conference room papers

NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.1	Report of Main Committee II: Chair's draft
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.1/Rev.1	Report of Main Committee II: revised Chair's draft
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.1/Rev.2	Report of Main Committee II: revised Chair's draft
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.2	Draft report of Main Committee II
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.2/Rev.1	Revised draft report of Main Committee II
NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/SB.2/CRP.1	Report of subsidiary body 2: Chair's draft

Work of the Committee

6. The Committee held 10 plenary meetings in the period from 10 to 24 May 2010. An account of the discussions is contained in the relevant summary records (NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/SR.__). Subsidiary body 2 of Main Committee II held four meetings between 11 and 20 May. As the meetings of subsidiary body 2 were closed meetings, there are no official records of those meetings. Main Committee II and subsidiary body 2 also held informal meetings and consultations during that period. After an item-by-item consideration of the agenda items allocated to it, the Committee, at both its formal and informal meetings, proceeded to a detailed discussion of the proposals and documents before it. The various views expressed and proposals made are reflected in the summary records of the Committee and in the working papers submitted to it. Those summary records and working papers form an integral part of the report of the Committee to the Conference.

7. At the 9th meeting of Main Committee II, on 21 May, Ms. Alison Kelly (Ireland), as Chair of subsidiary body 2, made an oral report to the Committee. She stated that for the purpose of reporting to Main Committee II the outcome of the work of subsidiary body 2, she had issued a conference room paper under her responsibility, giving an account of the status of deliberations. At the 10th meeting of Main Committee II, on 24 May, the Chair concluded that Main Committee II had not reached consensus to attach the Chair's revised draft report (NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.1/Rev.2), and the Chair's draft report of subsidiary body 2 (NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/SB.2/CRP.1), to the final report of Main Committee II. The Committee took note of the final report in document NPT/CONF.2010/MC.II/CRP.2/Rev.1. Subsequently, the Chair announced the work of Main Committee II to be concluded, without prejudice to any decision to be taken otherwise by the plenary.